

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a sad day for America.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. Implicit in this obligation is the responsibility for fair and balanced coverage. If Sinclair feels it is appropriate to preempt regular programming to run the anti-Kerry documentary, they should follow it with the documentary showing the other perspective on his service, Going Upriver.

A democracy without a fair and free press is not a democracy for long.